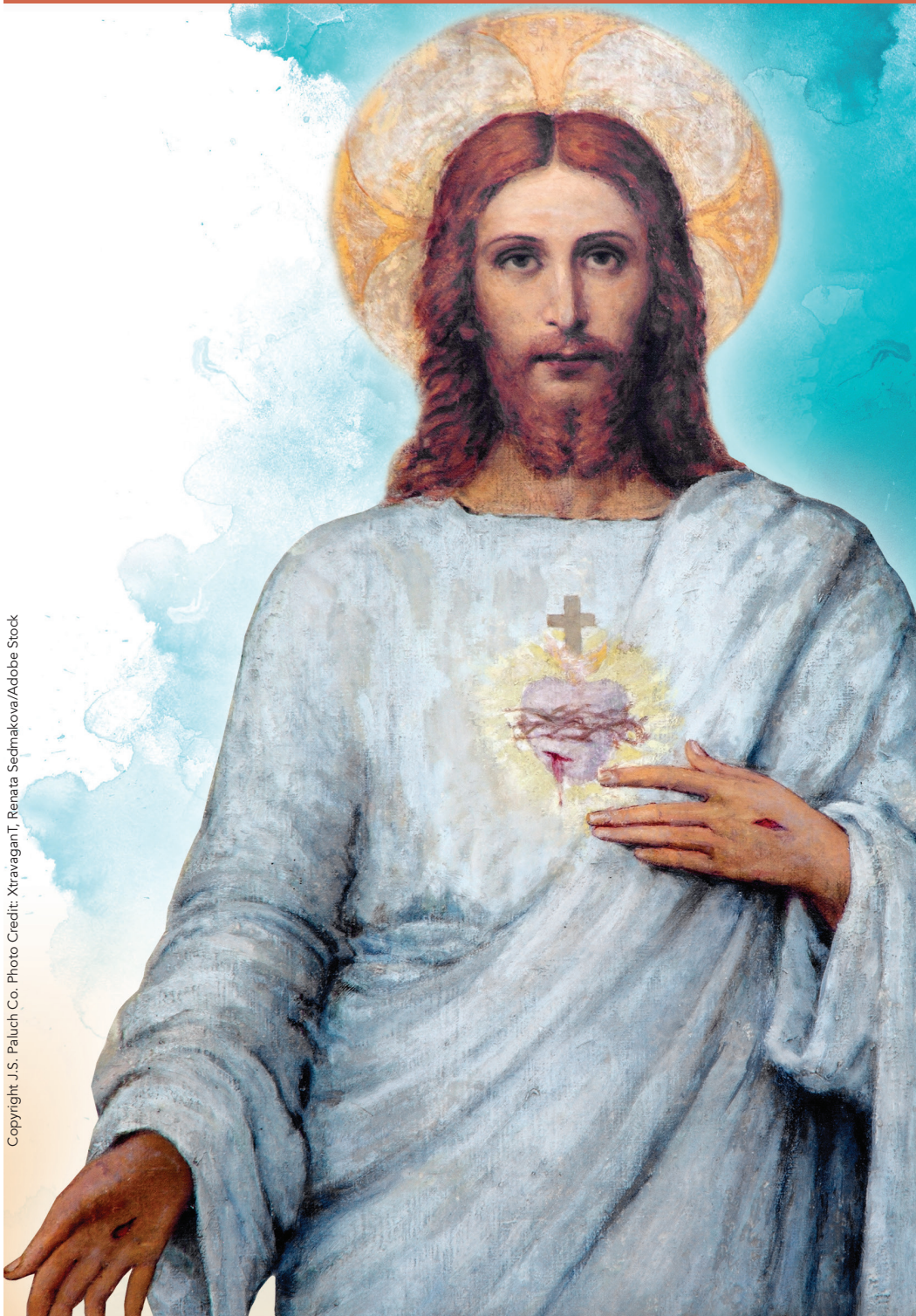




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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5PM Vigil

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM,
11AM, 5PM

DAILY MASSES

Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30AM
8AM

Tues, Thu, Sat: 8AM

RECONCILIATION

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Wednesdays: 5:15 - 5:45PM

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CHRIST, THE KING

The selection from the Book of Daniel presented in today's first reading was part of an attempt to weave a vision of ultimate success for the Jews under persecution. Exactly whom the author had in mind when he refers to "one like a Son of Man" is hotly disputed by scholars today. The fact is, we simply do not know if the author meant anyone in particular or if this is a collective, figurative image of Israel's triumph. What we do know is that the early Christian community seized upon this passage and recognized it as a messianic prophecy, a foretelling of the ultimate triumph of Jesus as the Christ of God. The Lectionary's juxtaposition of this text, with today's Gospel narrative of Jesus before Pilate, is a wonderful example of how the liturgy "layers" passages with new meaning by inserting them in a particular context.

The celebration of Christ the King allows us to hear these passages with a new depth of meaning in light of our contemporary understanding of how, in Jesus and his resurrection and ascension, we have seen the fulfillment of Daniel's vision of ultimate deliverance. The veiled admission of Jesus before Pilate that he did indeed have a kingdom "not here," takes on new meaning against the cosmic vision of Daniel, who allows us to glimpse the "Ancient One" on his heavenly throne.

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SPECIAL COLLECTION

Support the
Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in eight people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

WORKING ON THE MARGINS

FACT OF LIFE

'No trash baskets in heaven': When Christ healed me from abortion trauma I was like that piece of paper... crumpled, unread, and thrown in the trash.

I was a freshman in college, and a nonbeliever, when my high school sweetheart and I descended a slippery slope that ultimately made us come face to face with an unintended pregnancy. Shell-shocked and ashamed, we went to the nearby campus women's center for help. The only "counsel" we received was that abortion would "remove a clump of cells," "solve our problem," and allow us to move on with our lives.

Sadly, the fateful day arrived. No one in my family knew that the "Christmas shopping trip" my boyfriend and I reportedly were embarking on for the day was really the hour trip back to the women's center near our college campus. Though I had no relationship with Christ at the time, during the procedure, everything within me reverberated with the truth that something terrible was taking place, and something precious within me was being stripped from me... lost forever!

My boyfriend and I drove home in total silence. My emotions mirrored the darkness of the evening sky. Sadness engulfed me, as well as a consuming emptiness that seemed to settle in my abdomen, forming a crushing black hole. When my boyfriend dropped me off, I quietly headed upstairs to my room. I tried to discard the trauma and wipe the abortion from my mind. I immersed myself in the party lifestyle in attempts to numb my pain. It wasn't until seven years later, through a series of unforeseen events, that Jesus Christ saved me, and began to mend my heart, piece by piece.

Because of the healing I experienced, and my amazement at the sheer magnitude of the mercy of Christ, I became zealous to share the Gospel, as well as my story of healing. I shared with my pastor. Shortly after, he invited me to share on Right to Life Sunday. Though sharing such an intimate part of my life was daunting, I had a burning desire to give glory to Jesus Christ, to honor my child publicly, to help others grieving, and to discourage others from ever making the same tragic choice!

Since that day so many years ago, God has continued to amaze me by opening many doors to share His message of redeeming love. His redemption story continues in the lives of many whom I have been privileged to work with. It is the profound goodness of God to empower many healed of abortion trauma, to become some of the most ardent, vocal and effective pro-life advocates.

In the end, I'm grateful there are no trash baskets in heaven. Nothing is wasted when surrendered to Christ. He truly IS our Redeemer. Every life is precious, and worthy of love. www.liveaction.org

MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

DAILY PRAYERS

PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH

The Church is open every day

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS: 6AM - 5PM

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS: 7AM - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS: 6AM - 6PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 7AM - 6PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET + ADORATION

In the Church - Wednesdays 5PM

DAILY ROSARY

Following after all 8AM Masses Monday-Saturday
And after 6:30AM Masses on Mon., Wed., and Fri.



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †

SUNDAY, November 21: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

7:30 AM - Jean Ellis †

9 AM - Rosemary Cambre †

11 AM - St. Anastasia Parishioners ♦

5 PM - All Souls Novena †

MONDAY, November 22: St. Cecilia

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

6:30AM - Baby Mallen Coles †

8 AM - All Souls Novena †

TUESDAY, November 23: St. Clement I; St. Columban, Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro

Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

8 AM - Margaret Healy ★

All Souls Novena †

WEDNESDAY, November 24: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

6:30 AM - All Souls Novena †

8 AM - Ken Lance ★

THURSDAY, November 25: Thanksgiving Day, St. Catherine of Alexandria

Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

9 AM - THANKSGIVING DAY

FRIDAY, November 26:

Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

NO 6:30 AM MASS TODAY

8 AM - Monica M. Mallen ★

All Souls Novena †

SATURDAY, November 27: Blessed Virgin Mary

Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

8 AM - The Pauline Sisters ♦

5 PM - Ray, Bette, and Mark Ferra † † †

All Souls Novena †

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS CELEBRANTS

SAT: 5PM Fr. Leszek Semik

SUN: 7:30AM Fr. Innocent

SUN: 9AM Msgr. Gregory Cox

SUN: 11AM Fr. Leszek Semik

SUN: 5PM Fr. Innocent

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We now place all intentions written in our 'Book of Intentions' on the Altar during all Masses.

Our Parish Deacon, Jose Viola, has been unable to carry out his ministry due to health complications and is requesting your prayers in helping him find a kidney donor. Blood Type "O." If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a donor—Please visit www.uclakidneydonor.org

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM:

Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a pre-Baptism Preparation Course. Call the Parish Office for more information at 310-670-2243

FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION

Please contact Nivita Aldrede-Brito (DRE)
Cell/Text: 310.614.7520 or Email: Nivita007@st-anastasia.org

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree
Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: DDupree@st-anastasia.org

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (RCIA):

More on becoming Catholic contact Nivita Aldrede-Brito (DRE)
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MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples must contact the Office 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family.
Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

Arranged by contacting the Parish Office with names of loved ones.
Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

FUNERALS:

Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 to arrange funeral or memorial services.

FAITH FORMATION

KIDS' CORNER

... TO THE ONLY WISE GOD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST BE
GLORY FOREVER AND EVER, AMEN.

ROMANS 16:27

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When we give glory to God, we are being thankful for what God has done for us. How has God blessed you? Take a moment to think about this. When you work on being aware of the things God has given you, you start to see how deeply God loves you.

God had given you so many things. He has given you your life. He gave you people and things you can see and touch—like your family, your best friend and your favorite food. He has also given you things you can't necessarily see or touch—like your ability to learn new things. God gives you forgiveness when you make mistakes. What else has God given you? Start making a list. These are all signs of God's love for you.

DEAR GOD, THANK YOU FOR YOUR
LOVE FOR ME.

From the book entitled "Living Faith Kids" by Imprimatur Bishop Mark S. Rivituso

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM EVENT



The
CHOSEN

TEEN NIGHT

All Confirmatin Candidates

Monday November 29th @ 7PM in the Church

Join us for a special screening of S1 Ep.4 followed by
a special Q&A session with Jonathan Roumie

Interested, but not in the program? Teens & Young
Adults are welcomed, space permitting. Please email
ddupree@st-anastasia.org to RSVP

FAITH @ HOME

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HEAR

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading -
[John 18: 33B-37.](#)

[Click here](#) to watch a video of the proclamation of the
Gospel for children

TALK

Gather your family around for a conversation about
royalty, and ask the following question:

What are some of the characteristics of people who
are considered to be royalty?

Remembering the Gospel for today, what made Pilate
call Jesus a king? What kind of power did Jesus have
to give that idea?

PRAY

Listen to the song "King of Kings" (by Hillsong) while
at the same time looking at the image below.



As you pray with the song and this image, how
is Jesus, the King of kings, inviting you to be a
witness of his love to others?

End this moment together by reciting the "Glory
be..."

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

We invite parishioners to bring the wine and bread you plan to share with loved ones around your Feast table to our 9AM Thanksgiving Day Mass for a special blessing. **Our Parish Office will be Closed on Thursday, November 25th**

Give Thanks
to the Lord for He is good.

PRAY

BELIEVE

RECEIVE

One Mass on Thanksgiving Day | 9am

ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION



Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every mass, supporting St. Margaret's Center. Since 1987, they have been

providing a range of emergency and supportive services to about 10,000 individuals annually in the Los Angeles "L.A.X." area.

MOMS MINISTRY

Raising our children for Heaven—while staying sane!—can be challenging, at all stages! Join us every **first Thursday from 10:00-11:30 AM in the Parish Office Conference Room**. TOGETHER in Christ, we'll use prayer, fellowship, and relevant Catholic books, to deepen and enrich our vocation as mothers. Join at <https://stanastasiaLA.flocknote.com/MomsMinistry>



Childcare is provided.
No RSVP needed.
Contacts: Maria Reilly 424-259-1501

THANK YOU FROM #TEAMJOY



Boxes of Joy Truck, will pick up all boxes on Tuesday, December 2.

Our Box of Joy Program is almost a wrap! Thank you, to all those who participated this year. If you missed our event this past Friday, you still have some time to pick up materials or drop off your completed Box of Joy at the Parish Office. Hurry! Gift Ideas can be found on their Website: <https://crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/resources>

Box of Joy is a Christmas Blessing that says, "God loves you and I do, too!"

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS AND TOURS AVAILABLE

The application and enrollment process for St. Anastasia's 2022-2023 school year is **OPEN!** Share the news with your family and friends. Interested in a tour? Sign up at <https://calendly.com/statours/30min>

The direct link for our application is: <https://secure.gradelink.com/370/enrollment>

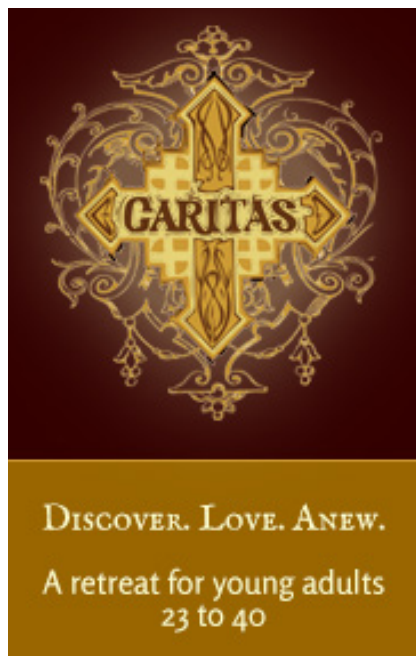
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Caritas is a retreat experience that has helped over 2,000 people explore God's love and voice in their lives through relationships with those around them.

Who: Anyone 23-40+ years old.

When: Friday, January 14, 2022 @ 4 pm - Monday, January 17, 2022 @ 4 pm

Where: Old Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center nestled in the foothills of San Diego County, this fifty-six-acre campus is a National Historic Landmark and offers many areas for meditation and relaxation. Its remarkable surroundings have a profound effect on young people who enjoy the outdoors in a coastal setting.

Join other St. Anastasia Parishioners on this wonderful opportunity to have an Encounter with God! Register at <https://www.christusministries.org/events/caritas62>

BULLETIN UPDATES

If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org.

Dec. 5 bulletin content: Due Fri. Nov. 26

Dec, 12 bulletin content: Due Thu. Dec. 2

Keep in touch with us!

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DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

We are thrilled to announce that the Daughters of St. Paul will offer a FREE "God is with Us" Virtual Christmas Concert! Last year our Virtual Concert was a HUGE success with 5,500 viewers watching live and over 60,000 views during the month of December! This year we hope to reach even more people with the Christmas message that our God is with us and will never forsake us.



A VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL



GET UPDATES: [PAULINE.ORG/VIRTUALCONCERT](https://www.pauline.org/virtualconcert)
Did You Know?

Honoring children's boundaries teaches important lessons about consent

As we enter into the holiday season, where many of us will spend time with extended family and friends, parents should remember to pay attention to their children's comfort levels, especially when it comes to physical affection. We want our children to be kind and considerate, so it is tempting to ask them to give hugs and kisses to family members and friends. But when children are nervous or shy, or just do not want to, it is important to honor their personal boundaries — and it teaches them a great lesson about consent over who interacts with them and their bodies. You can suggest alternatives, like high-fives or fist bumps. For more information, read "[Why you shouldn't force your kids to hug relatives.](#)"



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